

Transcript of Fulbright program returnee Asnal Ngartolna's interview

Good morning and welcome back Mr. Honoré. You have studied under the Fulbright program for two years in United States. How did you find this program?

Good morning Mr. Alladoumbaye and thank you for welcoming us back home. My name is Asnal Ngartolna. I've been to U.S. in August 2010 and now I am back since last month after spending two years doing my master's in the public administration in the U.S., specifically in Virginia at Old Dominion University. So about the program, first of all I would not have words to express my gratefulness to the Fulbright program and to the Public Affairs Office of the U.S. Embassy that together made this program possible for me. This is really a great and very wonderful opportunity that is provided to young Chadians to experience U.S. life and studies. To be honest with you for a Chadian after spending two years in the U.S. we won't be the same person.

How do you intend to apply your Fulbright experience in Chad? Do you have any projects on mind?

Yeah. Projects, I have a lot. The Public Affairs Officer Lisbeth Keefe was telling us about this project of setting this organization of Fulbrighters, which is something really great if we can start with that. My project before going (to the U.S.) was to come back and help the Chadian public administration to be as efficient as American organizations. So I have been there, I learn a lot of things that I cannot really ... there is no exact words that I can express that with. And I am more than ready and excited to share that first with other young guys who really like to make the same experience and also to help the Chadian public administration to improve or to enhance their performance. One of the projects is to create a nonprofit organization about education. So taking the benefit of Fulbright program to study, coming back and giving opportunities to kids to go to school that will be also my way to give back what the Fulbright program has given me. I am really excited about the program, she was talking about: internet, website ... we can explain to them how they can be successful in the TOEFLs. English is kind of challenge for we Chadians. We don't speak English at all. I will be waiting for the opportunity to share everything with everybody. Thank you.